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SUBJ: RED FLAG ARTICLE BY KIANGSI FIRST SECRETARY

REF: HONG KONG 0013

1. MAY ISSUE OF RED FLAG CARRIES ARTICLE BY CHIANG WEI-CHING, NOT OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED IN TABLE OF CONTENTS PRINTED IN PEOPLE'S DAILY MAY 1 BUT PROBABLY THE FIRST SECRETARY IN KIANGSI PROVINCE. (CHIANG'S ARTICLE DOES NOT APPEAR IN THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AS MONITORED AND REPORTED ON OWO10340 BY FBIS FROM PEKING DOMESTIC SERVICE APRIL 30.) ARTICLE BY CHIANG WOULD CONTINUE, ALBEIT AT A LOWER LEVEL, THE SERIES OF SIGNED ESSAYS OF DICTATORSHIP BY REGIME LEADERS WHICH YAO WEN-YUAN LED OFF IN RED FLAG IN MARCH AND HIS FELLOW POLITBURO MEMBER CHAING CHUN-CHIAO ADVANCED IN THE APRIL ISSUE.

2. WE WILL WANT TO STUDY CHAING'S ARTICLE WHEN AVAILBLE TO SEE IF THE LINE AS WELL AS THE LEVEL OF AUTHORSHIP HAS

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CHANGED. KIANGSI IS AMONG THE PROVINCES PARTICULARLY

TROUBLED IN LAST YEAR'S POLLITICAL CAMPAIGN AND ITS RESULTANT
LABOR UNREST. CHIANG, TOO, HAS A PARTICULARLY SHARP
PROFIDLE AS A REHABILITATED VICTIM OF THE CULTURAL REVOLUTION,
HAVING BEEN DENOUNCED BY NAME IN PEOPLE'S DAILY IN 1968 IN
CONNECTION WITH HIS PURGE AS FIRST SECRETARY IN KIANGSU.
REHABILITATED IN 1973, CHIANG SURFACED AS CHIEF OF KIANGSI
ONLY IN JANUARY THIS YEAR (REFTEL). IN A RECENT SPEECH
REPORTED ON KIANGSI RADIO MAY 1, CHIANG APPEARED TO PREACH
LAW AND ORDER AND HE HIT OUT AT FAKE MARXISTS WHO "SHOW
OFF IN THE STREETS", A THRUST AT PUBLIC PROTESTERS
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